Economy, Transport and Environment (ETE) Scrutiny Committee



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Future work at a glance

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Items that appear regularly at committee				
The Council's Forward Plan	The latest version of the Council's Forward Plan is included on each scrutiny committee agenda. This document lists the key County Council decisions that are to be taken within the next few months together with contact information to find out more. It is updated monthly.			
	The Forward Plan helps committee Members identify important issues for more detailed scrutiny <i>before</i> key decisions are taken. This has proved to be significantly more effective than challenging a decision once it has been taken. As a last resort, the call-in procedure is available if scrutiny Members think a Cabinet or Lead Member decision has been taken incorrectly.			
	Requests for further information about individual items on the Forward Plan should be addressed to the listed contact. Possible scrutiny issues should be raised with the scrutiny team or committee Chairman, ideally before a scrutiny committee meeting.			
Committee work programme	This provides an opportunity for the committee to review the scrutiny work programme for future meetings and to highlight any additional issues they wish to add to the programme.			

Future committee	Witnesses				
15 March 2017					
Superfast Broadband	To agree the report of the Scrutiny Review Board on the Scrutiny Review of Superfast Broadband.	Chair of the Review Board			
Dutch Elm Disease Strategy	Progress Report on the implementation of the Dutch Elm Disease strategy.	Environment Team Manager			
Highways Maintenance Contract Monitoring	Update report on the implementation of the new contract with Costain CH2M.	Assistant Director, Operations / Contract Manager			
Scrutiny Review of Highway Drainage	An update report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Scrutiny Review of Highway Drainage.	Assistant Director, Operations & Contract Manager			
Reconciling Policy, Performance and Resources (RPPR)	To provide the Committee with an opportunity to review its input into the RPPR process and suggest improvements to the process.	Scrutiny / Director of Communities, Economy & Transport.			
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Road Safety	Update on the East Sussex Road Safety programme	Assistant Director Communities/Project Manager			
Further ahead					
September 2017	Scrutiny Review of Highway Drainage. A twelve month update report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Review.	Assistant Director, Operations & Contract Manager			

Current scrutiny reviews and other work underway	Date to report
Superfast Broadband A Scrutiny Review Board was established at the 16 March 2016 Scrutiny Committee meeting to examine the provision of Superfast Broadband infrastructure through the Broadband Project which is being delivered by ESCC. Initial areas of inquiry include residents' expectations, communications and whether the roll out of the second contract will address residents' concerns about broadband speeds in the best way.	March 2017
<u>Road Safety/Safer Streets</u> A joint Scrutiny Review Board meeting was held on 11 March 2016 to examine the proposals for a Public Health funded project to reduce road accidents (KSI's – Killed and Seriously Injured) and improve road safety. An update report on the delivery of the project will be brought to the Committee at its meeting on 14 June 2017.	June 2017
<u>Countryside Access Strategic Commissioning Strategy</u> The report of the Review Board on the draft Countryside Access Commission Strategy was presented at the Council's Cabinet meeting held on 26 April 2016. Public consultation is taking place on the draft Countryside Access Strategy and a report to agree the Strategy will be presented to Cabinet in the Autumn. The Review Board may comment further on the proposed Strategy following the public consultation.	To be agreed.
Highways Contract Re-procurement Project – The new contract commenced on 1 May 2016. The Scrutiny Committee will continue to be involved with the delivery of the new contract throughout the mobilisation and implementation stages of the contract. An update report will be presented to the Committee on 15 March 2017.	March 2017

Potential future scrutiny work (Proposals and ideas for future scrutiny topics appear here)

Climate Change Adaption

The next statutory Climate Change Risk Assessment (CCRA) will be published in 2017 and this will lead to an update of the National Adaptation Programme (NAP). The National Adaptation Programme currently describes a number of actions local authorities need to undertake. The Committee may request a report once the Climate Change Risk Assessment and revised National Adaptation Programme are published next year.

—	information reports available to the Committee appear on committee agendas when proposed for scrutiny by committee members)	Date available
Performance management	 Performance monitoring is an integral part of scrutiny. The committee is alerted to the relevant quarterly reports that Cabinet and lead Members receive. Members can then suggest matters for scrutiny to investigate in more detail. In the performance reports, achievement against individual performance targets is assessed as either 'Red', 'Amber' or 'Green' ('RAG'): 'Green' means that the performance measure is on target to be achieved 'Amber' means that there is concern about the likelihood of achieving the performance measure by the end of the year 'Red' means that the performance measure is assessed as inappropriate or unachievable. 	Every quarter
	The 'Red' and 'Amber' indicators also include further commentary and the details of any proposed corrective action.	
	Requests for further information about individual items in the performance reports should be addressed to the listed contact. Possible scrutiny issues should be raised with the scrutiny team or committee Chair.	

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